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Mr. Joseph Cassetta Desert Sandscapes 933 North Main Avenue Tucson, Arizona 85705

Dear Mr. Cassetta:

Re: Notice of Intention to Commence Small Mining Operations, Desert
Sandscapes, Picture Spring #1 & 2, S/053/027, Washington County, Utah

This letter is forwarded to notify you that we have received a copy of your Notice of Intention to conduct mining operations as filed with the Bureau of Land Management (BLM), Dixie Resource Area. We have categorized your operation as a "Small Mining Operation" (SMO) because a total of five (5) or less surface acres are proposed to be disturbed. We have assigned this notice a Division file number S/053/027. Your mine site is located in the NE/4, NE/4, Section 23, T41S, R14W, SLBM.

The Division has evaluated your BLM notice under our permitting requirements for small mining operations, Utah Administrative Code, R647-3-101 through R647-3-118. The application is complete, and we will require no additional information at this time.

Please be advised that state law requires that all mining operations be conducted in compliance with the operational and reclamation standards, as set forth in the Division's minerals rules (copy attached). These rules were developed pursuant to the Utah Mined Land Reclamation Act of 1975, Section 40-8-1, et seq, Utah Code Annotated, (1953, as amended).

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Pursuant to a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between our agency and the Utah Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ), Division of Water Quality (DWQ), we are required to notify that agency upon receipt of a mining notice. If you have not already been in contact with DEQ regarding their permitting requirements, you are advised to do so as soon as possible. Their address and phone number are as follows: Utah Department of Environmental Quality, 288 North 1460 West, Salt Lake City, Utah 84116, (801) 538-6146.

When in the area, a member of the Division staff will examine the site. If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact me at the address and phone number listed above. In reply, please reference our file number S/053/027. Thank you for your cooperation in this regard.

Sincerely,

D. Wayne Hedberg Permit Supervisor

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